

County of Los Angeles – Department of Mental Health
OFFICE OF THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION
 THURSDAY, JULY 24, 2014
 MEETING HIGHLIGHTS
 DR. LARRY GASCO, CHAIRPERSON, FACILITATING

Presenter	Discussion	Motion	Recommendation/Action
Dr. Larry Gasco	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call to Order and Roll Call • Commissioner Recognition – Commissioner Lubin was appointed into the AICP Fellows. Chairman Gasco presented the fellows medallion to Commissioner Lubin. Congratulations to Commissioner Lubin. • Executive Committee-The Executive Committee mainly discussed topics; extend the MHSA timeline to allow the Commission to digest comments presented at the public hearing, issues with one-year PEI contracts, and Susan Moser’s report on the DMH Criminal Background Check process. • MHSA/ SAAC Chairs – Six SAACs were represented and made updates. A common issue discussed was public comment time constraints. • December Offsite in San Gabriel Valley - Tabled • Annual Retreat-Facilitator thanked Commissioners for attending the retreat; participation was productive. • Finalize arrangements for Commission Jail Tour • Support Letter for Community Partners in Care – Dr. Wells and Dr. Chung spoke about the Community Partners of Care research proposal and plan for Healthy 	<p>Motion to Approve the Minutes of June – Minutes approved unanimously</p>	<p>Absent Excused: Arnold Gilberg Absent: Fred Leaf</p> <p>Retreat Action – DeBose and Perrou would like identify areas where Commissioners can assist clients with issues submitted via public comment forms.</p> <p>CALMHBC - Chairman Larry Gasco was elected President of the CALMHBC. Judy Cooperberg was appointed L A County Director on the CALMHBC.</p> <p>Jail Tour – Chairman Gasco and Commissioner Perrou both will follow up with Dr. Shea to coordinate the jail tour.</p> <p>2014 December Offsite – Commissioner Lue will be working on the December 2014 Offsite meeting with Chairman Gasco.</p> <p>CALMHBC – Los Angeles County Region has Director positions open. It was recommended that Commissioner Cooperberg be appointed as a Director for the Los Angeles Region.</p> <p>Support Letter for Community Partners in Care-Table, Commission will review the proposal.</p>

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	<p>Neighborhoods in all eight Service Area communities.</p>		
<p>Dr. Shaner</p>	<p>DMH Update Budget – Dr. Shaner reported books closed DMH is in the black for FY 2013-2014.</p> <p>Dr. Shaner outlined 3 Initiatives the department is working on:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. SB 82 – The budget is in place to augment teams to increase MET in the Antelope Valley. The Antelope Valley is also slated for a Psychiatric Urgent Care Center through SB 82 funding. 2. Healthy Neighborhoods research component. The component expanded to all service areas which is about 20-24 neighborhoods. First step is to coordinate an oversight committee. 3. Expansion of Laura’ Law. LA County is the first county to initiate assisted outpatient treatment (AOT). Nevada has fully implemented AOT to 70 people with good outcomes. A restriction with the law is funding. Board instructed LA County to fully implement the plan with various funding sources. The goal for LA is to treat 500 AOT annually through FSP services. 		<p>ACTION - None</p>

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	Dr. Shaner answered questions and then concluded his report.		
Dr. Shea	Jail Diversion Status – Dr. Shea gave an overview of jail diversion plan and why many inmates are in the jails where they do not belong. Dr. Shea answered questions and then concluded his update on the jail diversion plan.		Jail Diversion – Commissioners asked Dr. Shea to continue informing the Commission on the status of the jail diversion plan.
Public Comments	There were 20 Public Comments. There were no unresolved issues. JoAnn Freeman discussed personnel and operational problems occurring at Long Beach Mental Health Clinic. Ms. Freeman presented copies of petitions signed by affected parties.		Long Beach Mental Health Clinic – Dr. Gasco will follow-up with DMH Program Head responsible for the issues discussed. Chairman Gasco will report back at following meeting.
Items 5 and 6 were postponed due to time limitations Meeting adjourned			